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In re application of: Tipton et al.

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Application No.: 10/672,311

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims After Amendment		Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate Fee	Large Entity Rate Fee
Total Claims	37	MINUS	37	0	x 9 =	x 18 = 0.00
Independent Claims	3	MINUS	3	,o	x 43 =	x 86 = 0.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid					\$145.00	\$290.00
				Total	\$	\$0.00

Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.

Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. NOVLP075).

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Before examination on its merits, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification being on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.